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WASHINGTON, August 23, 1985 -- Orders for new freight cars in July totaled 1,090, compared with 827 in June and 607 in July a year ago, the Association of American Railroads and the American Railway Car Institute reported today.

Cumulative orders for the first seven months of this year came to 5,932, compared with 11,046 at the same time a year ago.

Deliveries of new freight cars in July totaled 1,075, compared with 1,077 in June and 1,327 in July 1984. Cumulative deliveries for the first seven months of 1985 totaled 7,018, compared with 6,315 a year ago.

As of August 1, the backlog of cars on order but undelivered was 3,858, compared with 3,843 on July 1, and 6,821 on August 1, 1984.

Meanwhile, the AAR reported that 38 locomotives were placed in service in July, compared with 28 in June and 93 in July 1984.

As of August 1, the backlog of locomotives on order but undelivered totaled 274, compared with 267 on July 1, and 159 on August 1 of last year.

Taking retirements into account, the fleet of owned and leased diesel-electric locomotives on August 1 was 22,799, compared with 23,043 on July 1, and 24,857 on August 1, 1984.

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FREIGHT CARS AND LOCOMOTIVES ORDERED AND DELIVERED

AND BACKLOG OF ORDERS

ALL RAILROADS AND PRIVATE CAR LINES

DELIVERED

	July		June	Seven Months	
	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984
Built New by Car Builders	1,075	1,327	1,077	6,612	6,315
Built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	406	0
Built New - Total	1,075	1,327	1,077	7,018	6,315
Rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL DELIVERED	1,075	1,327	1,077	7,018	6,315
Locomotives	38	93	28	250	284

ORDERED

To be built New by Car Builders	1,090	607	827	5,932	10,796
To be built New in R.R. Shops	0	0	0	0	250
To be built New - Total	1,090	607	827	5,932	11,046
To be rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ORDERED	1,090	607	827	5,932	11,046

ON ORDER AND UNDELIVERED

	August 1		July 1	Average	
	1985	1984	1985	1985	1984
To be built New by Car Builders	3,858	6,571	3,843	4,100	6,454
To be built New in R.R. Shops	0	250	0	40	71
To be built New - Total	3,858	6,821	3,843	4,140	6,525
To be rebuilt	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL ON ORDER	3,858	6,821	3,843	4,140	6,525
Locomotives	274	159	267	264	157

Orders, Deliveries and Backlog Include Estimates for Tank Cars

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